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## The Southern Prodigal Son.

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## Winter Scenes.

The old red sleigh with its long box that never was full, far down in the snow, wrapped in the robes, or on one or another of the four seats, contained there was always room for one more. What a grouping of bright young faces there used to be, always in it. Faces in hoods, in caps, and blankets; hearts that have loved since; hearts that have broken; hearts that have mended. And away we went over the hill, and through the valley, under the moonlight and under the clouds; when the stars were looking down, when the sun kindled the world into a great white jewel; but those days have gone forever away, and the sweet necklace of bells, big in the middle of the string, and growing small by degrees, has long since passed the poles.

In that old sleigh there were married to manhood—those that were "married to death." Great ships have gone over the waters with less of hope and happiness than that rude craft has borne over the billows of the snow. It shapes now gloom along the stream, but gives us for its own memories of yesterday, the old red sleigh. Then the days when we were "coasters;" and down the big hill, by the maple wood, through the little pines, far into the valley, we came with merry shout, each the solitary wanderer in his little craft. How like a flock of swallows we were, dashing down the declivity, and in among a group of flocks, side by side with a rival, shooting like an arrow, steering in gallantry ahead like a jockey, and on our way up with a sled in tow, ere our party had reached the valley below.

And then, it was, when the wind had swept the snow from the pond and stream, and the ice was as glass, that we put on the "rockers," and darted hither and thither, and out sixes and eights and curves without number, and drew the girls we loved, and whirled them like leaves over the highway of crystal.

And the schools where we spent each other, and the schools where we sang Windham and Mear, and "went up;" gone, all gone, the teacher and taught, like the melting snow under the rainbow of April. And when sometimes after the great snow, the wind came out of the North for a frolic, what wrastlings and carvings of the alabaster there were. What Cornishian adornings surrounded the frozen poets; what mouldings were fashioned beside the way; what flowers of rare finish and pendant pearls on the trees.

And there in the midst of that winter, Christmas was set, that made the Thanksgiving last all through the night of the year, and what under the stars and the fire burned more brightly than ever. Christmas, with its gifts and its cheer, its carol and charm, its evergreen branch, and its bright morning dreams; Christmas, when there were prints upon the chimney tops, if we were left to see them, struck the heart of the old man, and he would wonder how and how "figure four;" by perches we might catch the maker thereof. Have you quite forgotten how sorry you were for the snowbird, that fluttered among the flakes, and seemed tossed and lost in the storm?

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## ALL SORTS OF ITEMS.

### Gleaned from Late Mail.

A dispatch from Savannah says that an attempt by the United States troops to eject some negroes from a plantation in South Carolina, opposite Savannah, is producing serious difficulty. The negroes refuse either to leave or make any concessions. A force of fifty men, sent by Gen. Tilden was met by 300 of them armed, and a conflict was only prevented by a temporary compromise. Reinforcements had been asked for by the officer in command. The troops were still on the plantation.

A Herald Missouri correspondent says that two companies of Gov. Fletcher's militia are sent to Lafayette County, and the bushwhackers have disappeared. Business in Lexington is said to be suspended, because the citizens are afraid of the troops.

Ticket number 58,600 drew the Crosby Opera House.

English papers by late arrivals, give accounts of storms, floods, shipwrecks, and deaths from cold and starvation.

The population of Kansas increased 50,000 last year.

There are sixty German newspapers in Pennsylvania.

The type foundry have been holding a convention at Buffalo, N. Y. A reduction in the price of type was agreed upon.

There is a Protestant congregation of 300 persons, and six schools of 220 children, at Jerusalem.

The "presidential mansion," Jeff. Davis' late residence in Richmond, is offered for sale. Price, \$40,000.

The New Jersey Legislature will soon pass a law requiring the fencing in of all wheels, saws, lathes, and other dangerous machinery in manufacturing establishments and elsewhere.

The coal trade of Pennsylvania was last year worth over sixty-seven and a half million of dollars.

Omaha papers say that there is little doubt that all the Indians on the plains are hostile, and unless prompt and decisive measures are taken to prevent it there will be a general Indian war next summer.

A girl at Fall River was badly bruised by the explosion of a kerosene lamp, occasioned by a gust of wind blowing the flame down the lamp chimney.

An Irishman in the employ of a gentleman at Bridgeport, Conn., went upon the roof of the house in a state of somnambulism, the other night, and had taken down the chimney nearly to the level of the roof before he was discovered.

A dispatch from Athens, Greece, says that the Chief of the Cabinet has written a letter to the U. S. Consul thanking the American people for their sympathy with the Greeks, and asking the Consul for an American ship of war to convey women and children.

A Chicago special says that Crosby holds tickets for the three principal prizes after the first and perhaps for that; and that the Opera House to be decided in not the whole building, as represented, but only the audience room in the inaccessible center of the block.

A Western dispatch states that parties from the Plains say that the Indians are encamped in large numbers beyond Cottonwood, with the supposed intention of committing depredations on the whites, but that the settlers have made unusual preparations for defense, and will be able to guard against a surprise, and repel an attack.

It is announced that important changes are to be made in a few days in the system of registering letters. These changes, it is said, will insure greater protection in the transmission of letters, and will fix upon Postmasters and other Postoffice officials greater responsibility in case of losses.

The Commissioner of Agriculture has received a letter from a farmer at San Antonio, Texas, stating that a terrible storm took place there on New Year's day, and that the best of the year's crop of corn, 1,000 head of sheep perished from the cold on several farms in the neighborhood.

Mr. F. W. Coombs, who resides near Wabash, Indiana, while putting up his barn, a few days ago, handed his wife a package containing \$1,700 to take in the house. At the time, she was gathering chips and had a basket and an armful.

The money was laid on the table in her room, and she reached the door, her child, who was sick and was crying piteously, attracted her immediate attention, and in her hurry to attend the child, she forgot the money, and threw the chips on the fire with the money. Her attention was so engrossed with the sick child, that the loss was not discovered till about 9 o'clock in the evening.

The largest room in the world, under a single roof, and with a single pillar, is at St. Petersburg, Russia. It is 650 feet in length and 150 in breadth. By daylight it is used for military displays, and a battalion can conveniently maneuver in it. In the evening it is often converted into a vast ball-room, when it is warmed by sixteen prodigious stoves; and 20,000 waltzers are required to light it properly.

The roof of this great structure is a single arch of iron, the iron arch on which it rests weighing 12,800,000 pounds.

The Commissioner of the General Land Office has received returns showing that during December 14,854 acres of public lands were disposed of at the local office at Bonneville, Missouri. The entries for coal, settlement and cultivation under the homestead act amounted to 12,225.

The Ways and Means Committee has decided in favor of exempting from tax all income below one thousand dollars.

It is said the dullness in New York is so great that one third the commission have been withdrawn, not being city travel enough to sustain them.

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## PERSONAL.

While Schuyler Colfax was recently off his way to lecture at Burlington, Vermont, he got into the following conversation with a man with whom he shared his seat in the stage. "Going to the lecture?" "Mr. Colfax said he should probably be there."

"So am I. Did you ever hear of Colfax?" "Oh yes, very often," was Mr. C.'s reply.

"Well, what kind of a man is he? Is he a good speaker? Does he know anything?" "Well, really, I don't know as his opinion is worth much about that. My name is Colfax," Strange man subsided.

The Athens (O.) Messenger says:—"Among the apprentices in the Messenger office, about the year 1820, was John Brough, afterward distinguished as a man of business and Governor of Ohio. He came with Mr. Isaac Mason, from Marietta, and is well remembered as a chubby, solid, and intellectual youth, full of genuine good humor. It was before rough collision with the hard things of life had hardened his naturally fine temper. His gruffness was a manner, which at times manifested itself in unpleasant ways, was of a later growth."

A. H. Lee, Esq., who drew the Crosby Opera House at Chicago, is an old resident of St. Louis, and was formerly engaged in steamboating, being well known as the Clerk of several popular boats. For some years past he has been extensively engaged in milling at Prairie du Rocher, Randolph County, Illinois, where he has a comfortable home, a comfortable family, and an interesting family. He is a whole souled, genial, pleasant gentleman, and eminently worthy of his good fortune. Long may he enjoy it.

A project is said to be on foot at St. Louis to raise money to procure a house and a comfortable competency for Gen. G. R. Paul, who lost his eyes at the battle of Gettysburg. Gen. P. is a native of St. Louis, and is now there on a visit to his friends.

It is said that Gen. Grant intends to sail for Europe, in the summer, in time to attend the French Exhibition.

We announced last week that General Butler had instructed his assistants to demand "Brick Pomeroy," of the Laclede Democrat, for libel, laying his damages at one hundred thousand dollars. As some persons may be curious to know wherein the libel existed, we reproduce the offensive paragraph. It occurred in the course of an anonymous article, in which Butler is introduced in this style: "He (Morrissey) never stole spoons, watches and jewelry for his wife as Ben Butler has. When he fought with Heenan he did not pick his pockets, or insult his sister or mother, as the Brit Butler insulted the women of the South, who were treated by his order and washed by negroes and drunken white men, with his consent, in retaliation for expressing their disgust at his penitentials."

The Washington correspondent of the Columbus Journal describes Roscoe Conkling, the new Senator from New York, as follows: "In personal appearance Mr. Conkling is tall, straight, strongly built, having a commanding and noble countenance, firmness and solidity. His walk is graceful and athletic; his voice full, deep and sonorous; his eyes large and earnest; his nose perfectly aquiline and classic; lips hidden by a short reddish mustache and goatee; head large and symmetrical; front most aristocratically formed, presenting the floor of the House and face, though in slight degree, the soul of eloquence and culture. I have heard many ladies—and they are always right, you know—say that Mr. Conkling is the handsomest man in Congress."

Ex-Governor Leitcher has been elected Mayor of Lexington, Va. Oh, what a falling off was there, my countrymen!

It is reported that Gov. Fletcher, of Missouri, has sued the St. Louis Republican for libel, fixing the damages at \$100,000.

Hon. Jeremiah S. Black received a severe and anything but pleasant shock, the other day. While a certain eloquent lawyer of African descent, who had just been admitted to practice in the Supreme Court, was in the Clerk's room, paying his initiation fee, Jeremiah came rushing in to get change for a ten dollar bill. The Clerk could not accommodate him whereupon the legal luminary of color, volunteered assistance, seeking, at the same time, if he had the honor of